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Newport News Waterworks  
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2400 Washington Avenue  
Newport News, VA 23607

May 28, 2019

-- This is a follow up to a previous request: ---

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following Virginia Freedom of Information Act request, copied below, and originally submitted on May 16, 2019. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if further clarification is needed.

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On May 23, 2019:

We have received the attached FOIA request regarding records from Newport News Waterworks. The Virginia Freedom of Information Act, Va. Code §2.2-3704 et seq, requires localities to respond to requests for public records from residents of Virginia. Please send proof of Virginia residency and we will proceed with your request.

Sincerely,

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On May 16, 2019:  
To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Materials related to agreements and proposals, solicited and unsolicited, for the ownership, operation and/or management responsibilities of the water system, the sewer system, a water treatment plant, and/or wastewater treatment (or any portions thereof), including (but not limited to) those materials referencing the entities listed below.

Please include as responsive the following records:

1. Agreements: Any contracts, services agreements, memorandums of understanding, or like agreements related to the ownership, operation and/or management responsibilities of the water system, the sewer system, a water treatment plant, and/or wastewater treatment (or any portions thereof);
2. Procurement: Any request for qualifications, request for proposals, or other bids (both solicited and unsolicited) for the ownership, operation and/or management of the water system, the sewer system, a water treatment plant, or a wastewater treatment; and
3. Communications: For the period between January 1, 2018 and May 1, 2019, any communication (including postal mail, emails, memoranda, meeting agenda or minutes, presentations, and text messages) between representatives of each utility (including the directors of the utility, general managers, the purchasing director, and any other applicable utility representatives) and representatives from water companies or other private water system operators, including:
  - a. Suez (domain: suez-na.com), including "Jim.Perron@suez-na.com"
  - b. Veolia
  - c. American Water or a state affiliate, subsidiary, or representative
  - d. Aqua America or a state affiliate, subsidiary, or representative

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 5 business days, as the statute requires.

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Sincerely,

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